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THE SANITARY BOARD.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak to Reconsider
His Decision.

General regret was felt, particularly amongst the members of the Chinese community, when it became known that Mr. Lau Chu Pak, who has rendered such invaluable service as a member of the Sanitary Board, had decided to retire after his term of office, so much so that a deputation of the leading Chinese residents approached His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard with the request that he would use his personal influence in persuading Mr. Lau Chu Pak to reconsider his decision. Needless to say His Excellency immediately complied with the request and it is understood that although Mr. Lau Chu Pak has numerous calls upon his valuable time, he will reconsider his decision.

HONGKONG AUXILIARY.

British and Foreign Bible Society.

The Hongkong auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society was founded on 26th February 1868. There was then held in the City Hall a public meeting, presided over by His Excellency the Governor, at which the Auxiliary was formally inaugurated. Addresses were delivered by the Bishop of Victoria, the Rev. G. H. Bondfield, agent in China of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and Hans Dearing, the society's sub-agent for Canton. As a result of the meeting this auxiliary came into existence.

Its general committee, of which the ladies elected to form a ladies committee are an integral part, has pleasure in presenting its first annual report. As aims and objects of the auxiliary the following were at the outset clearly set forth:—To diffuse information regarding the Society's work and with a view to this end to write sympathy and support, and to further the co-operation of local Churches in a definite form of Christian effort. More specifically this auxiliary undertook to arrange for services and meetings, to collect funds, to "write" the Bible Society as an advisory committee in its local work. It thus became concerned with the Bible Society's enterprise in the existing Bible book and tract depot.

Throughout the year under report the purposes which the auxiliary is intended to serve were kept in view, and a measure of success distinctly gratifying has attended the efforts of the general committee to carry them into effect. Special mention should be made of services rendered by the ladies committee. Reference to the treasurer's statement will show that the financial aid accruing to the Society from the work of this auxiliary during the year is, to the extent of \$706.50 due to the voluntary activity of lady collectors. The committee records its appreciation: each following year will it is hoped be marked by a further advance.

Bible Sunday was duly kept in the churches of the colony. In the local Chinese congregations, by special attention was directed to the Society's methods of distribution by colportage, a form of Christian service that is calling for the highest consideration and the noblest energies of the Church in China. Appeals of clergy and ministers were based on the Divine command for a world-wide evangelization; and the universal dissemination of the Sacred Scriptures was spoken of as a test of obedience to the risen Saviour and a first efficient means of winning to the power of His resurrection life.

Church collections have place in the treasurer's statements attached, and will be acknowledged in the general report issued at Shanghai by the Society's agent in China. Efforts of the kind made in the local churches on Bible Sunday, have, however, an issue that cannot be set down in a balance-sheet; thought is quickened, purpose is enlarged and motive power is given for the promotion of Bible work in an ever-widening field.

Sale of Scriptures from the depot during 1908 were in the under-mentioned eleven European and Asiatic languages:—English, Russian, French, Spanish, Portuguese, German, Italian, Greek, Finnish, Chinese, and Japanese. A total of 8187 copies were thus disposed of, consisting of 1545 Bibles, 2258 New Testaments and 4384 Portions.

In 1907 there were sold at the depot 1004 Bibles, 2778 Testaments and 1004 Portions. The increase for 1908 is therefore approximately 77 per cent. For these publications the sum of \$1426.87 was received.

The period for which the general committee was elected to serve expired at the annual meeting.

One Governor, shortly after the meeting, having been elected, it was decided to propose the election of a new Governor, and three only were proposed, the following by name:—

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By Order, **JAMES ORRICK**, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 5, 1909. 315

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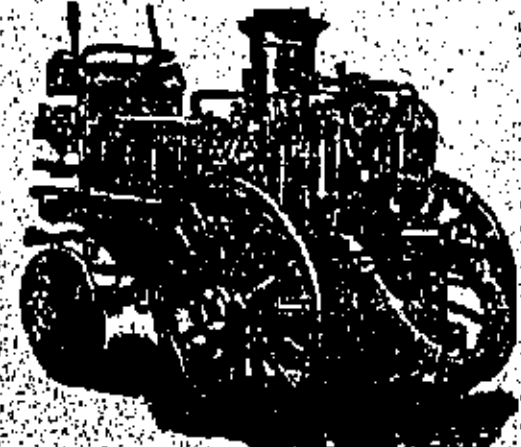
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Owen of Julia, to PATRICK LEECH,

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kong, and Mrs. Seth.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auctions.

10.30 a.m.—Auction at Messrs Jay's

No. 14, Des Voeux Road.

3 p.m.—Auction of Old and Rare Japanese

Curios, at Messrs Hughes & Hough's

Sales Rooms.

Meeting.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at

Messrs Jardine, Matheson Co.'s Office.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Macedonia not cleared at 4

p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Goods per Ararat not cleared after

4 p.m. this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, March 11.—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

tures, at No. 34, Morrison Hill Road.

8.45 p.m.—Meeting of Institution of En-

gineers & Shipbuilders of Hongkong,

at Engineers Institute Rooms.

9 p.m.—Herbert Withers Concert at

City Hall.

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FRIDAY, March 12.—

2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

tures, at No. 34, Morrison Hill Road.

9 p.m.—Meeting of China Sugar Refining

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Co.'s Office.

the school-girls of the same classes

whom he remembers, and when the

traveller seeks an explanation he is

told that it is due to the physical

exercises and the athletic games which

now fill such an important part in an

Englishwoman's school-life. Again

we say that it is well that it should be

so, for it undoubtedly makes for the

eventual betterment of the race, but at

the same time we cannot help questioning

whether we are not in danger of going

too far in this particular direction. The

present tendency certainly seems to be

to allow athletics to usurp too large a

space in the school-life of the day. We

are far from disagreeing with Mrs.

Clemens in her contention that games

have a moral value; that they provide

girls with opportunities for learning

many of those social qualities which are

often supposed to be lacking in women,

that they teach them how to put up with

small discomforts, how to give way to

others, how to rule and how to obey.

In this sense games are certainly a part

of the school curriculum which must be

maintained in healthy vigour; the danger

lies in allowing the interest in athletics

to be so cultivated that it becomes the

main business of existence and

success in games the chief object of a

girl's school career. Mrs. CLEMENS

argues that this danger will be avoided

not so much by attempting to diminish

the interest in games as by increasing

the interest in other things. It should

be possible, she says, during school-life

to talk about something else than

games. "If it is urged that this talk is

better than many other kinds of talk in

which young people used to indulge, at

least it need not be necessary for the

teachers to talk so much about the

games. They surely might find other

subjects for conversation. Probably

they talk about games because it is the

easiest subject, and the girls will enjoy it

most. It will be of no use for them to talk

about other things with a conscious effort

because they think it will be good for

the girls. They must speak out of the

fulness of their own hearts of the things

in which they are really interested. In

this matter of training girls for life it

is the character, the outlook of the

teacher, that is of prime importance; it

is her unconscious influence that will

tell. She must herself be leading a

real life and be in touch with real

things. The whole school must be, to

a certain extent, conscious of the bigger

life without the school; but still, most

of all, the teacher must constantly see

before her the life beyond the school in

which it is her first desire that her

pupils should play a worthy part."

These are wise words and yet there is

no gainsaying the fact that the only one

of a girl's school interests which, under

the conditions prevailing to-day, is

naturally connected with her after life

is her interest in games. If she has

been a good hockey player at school,

the world outside will eagerly expect

her to join hockey clubs. She may

have been a good Latin scholar, or de-

voted to historical study, but the out-

side world has no need for her Latin,

and takes no interest in her history.

So the hockey is kept up, and absorbs

more and more of her time, and the

Latin and the history slip out of her

life, and are gradually forgotten. Of

course it may only be a temporary

phase and may be rectified before too

much harm is done, but there is no

doubt that what we greatly need at the

moment is a sense of due proportion

which shall put games in their proper

place—as much for English boys cer-

tainly as for English girls—making

them the recreation not the business

of life.

We understand that a Chinese telegram

printed by us last evening got twisted

entirely inside out. It was Tang Shao-yi

who was decorated by President Fallieres

not the President of the French Republic

who received a decoration from the Chinese

Government.

The Reverend Nicolas Zamora, the

leading Filipino Protestant preacher in the

Philippine Islands, has caused a split in

the Filipino Church affecting nearly a score

of native preachers and 1,000 converts, and

has organized an independent church with

himself as its leader with the title of

Bishop.

STRAITS HEADQUARTERS. C. is elegantly

put up in water, is immediately re-

freshened, the glasses are quickly

washed. Tablets and pills are more

slowly absorbed and take correspondingly

longer to produce effects.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Shanghai has elected a Committee to

suitably carry out the celebration of Empire

Day—May 24th.

An entertainment will shortly be

given at the City Hall, Hongkong, in aid

of the Eyre Refugee.

Heavy rains have been experienced at

Singapore of late, while the temperature

has been comparatively low.

Capt. Skinner, H.K.V.C., who is

shurly leaving the Colony for a trip home,

will be entertained at dinner next week by

his comrades in arms.

We are informed that Mr. Lau Chu Pak

at the invitation of His Excellency the

Governor, has been elected a member of

the Hongkong University Committee.

The Indian and Eastern Engineer for

February contains a well written article

illustrated by some very fine views of the

new equipment of motor fire appliances

for Shanghai.

The auction announced by Mr. George P.

Lamport to take place at 11 a.m.,

Morrison Hill Road, on Thursday

will take place at 2.45 p.m. and not at

previously stated.

The Rev. R. Kilgour, of the Scotland

Mission, Darjeeling, has been appointed to

succeed the Rev. J. Sharp as Editor of the

publications of the British and Foreign

Bible Society, London.

Mr. George Toot, steward, was pre-

sented on M. M. S. Tamar on Monday

with a silver cigarette case and crucifix,

on the occasion of his departure for England.

Staff-Paymaster Walker made the present

ation.

At their last meeting the Indian Tea

Cass Committee agreed to spend \$22,000

on advertising Indian tea, \$10,000 to be

spent in the United States and \$12,000

in Europe. What does China do in the

advertising way?

Count Hayashi, who was Japanese

Ambassador in London for some time,

writes an introduction to a book on Japan,

which Messrs Cassell are publishing.

It is by Mr. Arthur Lloyd, is entitled

"Every-Day Japan," and is described as

"a close-range view of the Japanese

people, their performance and promise, by

a resident of twenty-five years in Japan

BRITISH STEELWORKS
FOR JAPAN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
London, March 9.
Messrs. Armstrong and Whitworth in conjunction with Messrs. Vickers and Maxon have received an order from Japan to erect steelworks there for gunmaking.

[Note.—This project clearly refers to the steel foundry at Muroran, Hokkaido, which has long been planned by the firms mentioned. From Japanese papers we learn that Mr. Inoue Kakuro will be the head of the concern, only a few English experts being lent, the rest of the staff consisting of Japanese. Part of the capital is supplied by Japanese investors.—Ed., C.M.]

TERRIBLE AVALANCHES.
MANY FATALITIES.

(Reuters Service to the China Mail.)
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London, March 8.
Avalanches have killed 27 workmen who were sheltering in a contractor's shed at Gasteinthal, Tyrol, while 15 peasants were killed in their homes at Draded, Tyrol.

Fifteen were killed through a similar catastrophe at Goldano, Italy. Smaller fatalities are reported elsewhere.

A COURAGEOUS CENSOR.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, March 8.

Censor Chao Ping-lun having personally pointed out to the Prince Regent many of his faults, has been warmly applauded by the latter for his courage. The Prince Regent appreciates such criticism.

SUPPRESSION OF OPIUM.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, March 8.

The Prince Regent intends to appoint Shu Chun-hsien an Imperial Commissioner for the suppression of Opium.

MANCHU OR CHINESE.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, March 8.

Another Censor has addressed the Throne upon the question of higher appointments. He says that the appointment of Chinese to the Grand Council will lead to racial controversies and he advises that all official positions above the third grade should be filled by Manchus only.

A WISE REFORM.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, March 8.

The Central Government proposes to dispense with the annual tribute of products from the provinces as the system seems to cause much trouble for the people.

ILLNESS OF H.E. NA
TUNG.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, March 8.

H.E. Na Tung has been given sick leave as he is suffering from a sudden attack of apoplexy.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

At the Magistracy to-day, an Indian constable was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for stealing 60 cents from a hawk.

A fine of \$10 was imposed by Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Court, to-day, on the master of a licensed passenger boat for carrying eight persons in excess of the number allowed.

An Indian went into the Post Office in order to purchase some stamps and went away leaving his purse, containing about \$7, on the counter. A Chinese schoolboy who was also in the Office was asked by one of the assistants if the purse was his. He replied in the affirmative and departed with it in his possession. Later the Indian returned and reported his loss. The schoolboy was traced and in his pocket was found the purse, while the money was discovered down the legs of his trousers. He was brought before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy to-day and sentenced to twelve strokes with the birch.

A fisherman was fined \$20, at the Marine Court, to-day, for erecting a new fisher's stake net without permission at Toi Tui. P.C. McEneaney, who prosecuted, stated that defendant had been prosecuted previously on account of the same net and was imprisoned in default of paying the fine. After he came out of goal, instead of removing the stake he attached a net to them and proceeded to fish. Having been warned defendant refused to remove the stake. Defendant was also charged with removing the net he now has and his licence was returned until such time as he erects a net upon the spot to which the licence refers.

THE WITHERS CONCERT
PARTY.

Last Night's Opening Performance.

It is seldom that the experience comes to us in this far outpost of the Empire of hearing the best musical talent of Europe, but this is now being enjoyed in Hongkong as the result of the much-talked-of visit of the famous Withers Concert Party. These cultured and clever artists made the first of three appearances at the Theatre Royal last night, when they delighted a large and most appreciative audience with a programme crammed full of the choicest items from the most approved sources. There are only four members in the party, but these cover such a wide range of capacity that they are able to supply an almost endless variety of theme. Some idea of the high positions they occupy in their profession may be gained when it is stated that the gentleman under whose name the tour round the world is being made is recognised as one of the foremost cellists of the day; that Mr. Charles Bennett, the baritone, made his appearance last year at the Handel Festival for the principal part in the production of "The Golden Legend" at the Crystal Palace; that the soprano soloist, Madame Sobrinho, is Court singer of Spain; and that Mrs. Margaret Eley, who in private life is Mrs. Withers, has also won many laurels in the art of pianoforte playing.

Last night's programme opened with the First Movement from Grieg's well-known Sonata, arranged for violoncello and pianoforte. The executants were Mr. Herbert Withers and Mrs. Eley, who combined with great effect. The tone of the cello was something in the nature of a revelation, and the intricate movements and difficult intervals were handled as only a master of the instrument could do. The support given by the pianist, too, was not the least helpful and enjoyable feature associated with this beautiful item. Then followed the air from Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro," a number rarely found on the ordinary concert programme. This is a most ambitious and arduous piece of work, but it was soon apparent that it was in very capable hands. Mr. Bennett sang it without a flaw, using his pure, cultured voice with decided taste and proper restraint. He was paid the deserved compliment of being recalled, playing his own accompaniment for a popular little encore item. Two solos by Madame Sobrinho were next given. They were the Jewel Song from "Faust" and Gounod's famous arrangement of Bach's "Ave Maria." The first of these soon demonstrated the remarkable abilities of the vocalist and the marvellous range of voice she possesses, while she also scored a great success by her rendering of the second item, which created a deep impression on her auditors. Mr. Herbert Withers came on next and gave two bracketed cello solos, namely Godard's "Sur le Lac" and Poper's "Tarentelle." The dreamy melody of the former number was beautifully brought out by Mr. Withers, while his rendering of "Tarentelle" was a marvel of execution. The audience was charmed with these demonstrations of the instrumentalist's skill, and would not rest content until Mr. Withers had responded to the loud demands for an encore.

A pianoforte solo by Mrs. Eley was the next item on the programme. It was A. Rosenthal's "Irish Rhapsody," a piece of considerable technical difficulty founded on Irish melodies and terminating with a genuine Irish jig. Mrs. Eley soon established herself in the good graces of the audience, for her work throughout was performed with marked artistic taste. She treated the intricacies of the composition with surprising ease and always imparted character into her playing. A recall was inevitable, and the response came in a tasty little number. In the two songs for baritone which followed, Mr. Charles Bennett gave evidence of all-round ability. "Birds in the High Hall Garden" (Somerville), was a dainty and refined piece of work, while in German's "Yeoman of England" he used the full power of his fine voice and brought the house down for the verse he introduced into this number. Another song was called for and a most impressive and popular ditty greatly delighted his hearers. Later however things have changed and people no longer seem to care about it. Isn't it rather a pity that this should be so, and that so fine a sport should languish for want of encouragement?

Rowing is as good a sport to watch as football or cricket; and from those who take part it, requires as much skill and far more pluck, self-denial and keenness, than either of those games.

Why should it get so little encouragement? It is very disappointing for men who have trained hard and given up a good deal for rowing if the Regatta, the chief event of their year, falls flat.

Why shouldn't the forthcoming Regatta commence a new era of enthusiasm?—Yours faithfully,
E. H. Oakes.

THE great danger of influenza is of its resulting in pneumonia. This can be avoided by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It not only cures influenza but counteracts any tendency of the disease towards pneumonia. For sale by all Chemists and storekeepers.

THE second concert will be given this evening, and on Wednesday the Company visits Canton, returning on Thursday for the farewell concert here. The programme will, of course, be entirely changed nightly.

HOW DIPHTHERIA IS CONTRACTED.

ONE often hears the expression, "My child caught a severe cold which developed into diphtheria," when the truth was that the child had simply left the little one particularly susceptible to the contracting diphtheria germ. When the Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given it not only cures the cold, but greatly lessens the danger of diphtheria or any other germ disease being contracted. There is no danger in giving this remedy, as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. For sale by all Chemists and storekeepers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held on Thursday afternoon.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., will ask:—In view of the comparatively small cost of putting up a fixed light, similar to that on Mahwan Island, to indicate the South-eastern entrance to the Capetown Pass, will the Government have such a light put up?

Will the Government consider the advisability of making arrangements for the signalling of typhoons, by wireless telegraphy, from one of the Pratas group of islands? Has the Government any information to communicate to the Council upon this subject?

The orders of the day are:—
Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance further to amend The Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorise for public purposes the Reclamation of certain portions of the Crown foreshore and sea bed situate in Hungnam Bay in the Colony of Hongkong and to validate such reclamation as has heretofore taken place.

COMPANY MEETING.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co.

The fortieth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., was held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., general managers to-day.

Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson presided and there were present Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. H. P. White, F. Matland, C. S. Gubby, consulting committee; A. O. Long, Wong Leung Him, J. M. E. Machado, C. Osmond, F. Smyth, D. Gaudier, A. H. M. da Silva, J. Barton, A. Turner, Ho Fook, H. Percy Smith, and L. N. Loef, Secretary.

The number of shareholders present represented 580 shares.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The report and accounts having been in your hands for some days I will, with your permission, follow the usual course and take them as read. The year 1908 has, I am glad to say, been a prosperous one for the company and this in spite of the continued depression in trade and the serious outbreaks of fire in the foreign owned and occupied property in Hongkong, in which place the Company's interests are very considerable. The premium income is practically the same as that for 1908 but losses are some \$33,000 less. The surplus of \$330,232.90 is one of the best the company has ever been able to show, and I trust the proposed appropriation meets with your approval. The payment of a dividend of \$27.00 per share, absorbing \$216,000, and the transfer of \$114,232.90 to augment the reserve fund. Business in the areas to which the Company's operations are confined does not call for any special comment on this occasion. 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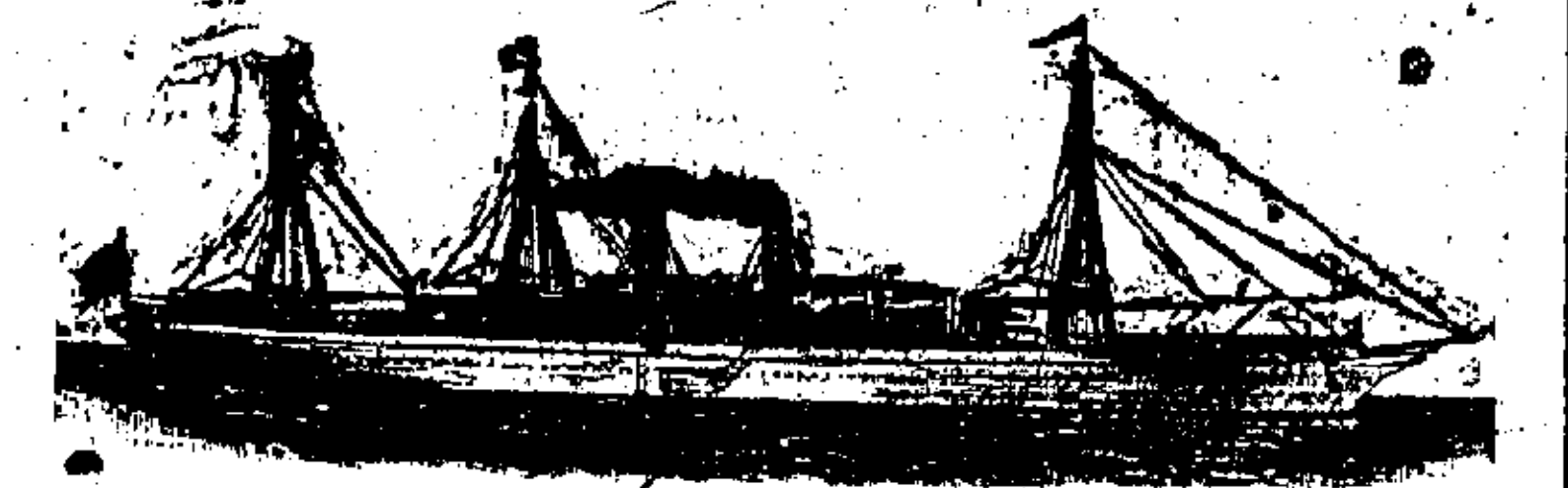
Will dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named:-

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
LONDON & ANTWERP	NORSE	15th March	Freight and Passengers
Yokohama, Kobe, and Nagasaki	Sumatra	16th March	Freight and Passengers
Yokohama, Kobe, and Nagasaki	Delhi	16th March	Freight and Passengers
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PROPOSED SAILINGS.	(Subject to Alteration.)
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EMPERESS OF INDIA ... 6000 Tons	SATURDAY, April 2
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EMPERESS OF CHINA ... 6000 Tons	SATURDAY, May 2
EMPERESS OF INDIA ... 6000 Tons	TUESDAY, May 11
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EMPERESS OF CHINA ... 6000 Tons	SATURDAY, May 23
EMPERESS OF INDIA ... 6000 Tons	SATURDAY, June 6
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For SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ... CALEDONNIEN, X. March 15, p.m.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ... TOURANE, LANCELIN, March 16, at 1 p.m.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ... ERNEST SIMONS, GIRARD, March 20, p.m.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA ... NERA, MARTIN, March 30, at 1 p.m.

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Next SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Outward.

For Shanghai, Yokohama & Kobe

S.S. AMERICA ... 10th Mar.

S.S. BRISBANE ... 20th Mar.

S.S. MELBOURNE ... 31st Mar.

S.S. SYDNEY ... 10th Apr.

S.S. ADELAIDE ... 20th Apr.

S.S. PERTH ... 30th Apr.

S.S. ADELAIDE ... 10th May.

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STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
ASIA ... 9,500 Tons	TUESDAY, 16th Mar., at Noon.
MONGOLIA ... 27,000	TUESDAY, 27th Mar., at Noon.
TENYO MARU ... 18,000	TUESDAY, 6th April, at Noon.
KOREA ... 18,000	TUESDAY, 13th April, at Noon.
NIPPON MARU ... 18,000	TUESDAY, 20th April, at Noon.
SIBERIA ... 18,000	TUESDAY, 27th April, at Noon.
CHINA ... 10,200	TUESDAY, 4th May, at Noon.
MANCHURIA ... 27,000	TUESDAY, 11th May, at Noon.
CHINA MARU ... 21,000	TUESDAY, 18th May, at Noon.
Twins Screw	TUESDAY, 22nd May, at Noon.

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Asia ... 9,500 " FRIDAY, 4th June, at Noon.

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DELHI	Mar. 20	MALWA	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
DEVANHA	Mar. 20	MONGOLIA	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
ASSATE	Mar. 20	MARMORA	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
DELTA	Mar. 20	INDIA	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
QUEANA	Mar. 20	VICTORIA	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
DELHI	Mar. 20	MOOLTAN	Mar. 27	Mar. 27

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NUBIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 27
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TJILIWONG	JAVA	First half of March	JAPAN	First half of March
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	Do.	JAPAN	Do.
TJIMAH	JAVA	Do.	AMOI	Do.
TJILATJAF	JAVA	Second half of March	SHANGHAI	Second half of March
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship
PLINTSHIRE,
will be despatched as above on or about
FRIDAY, the 26th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 22, 1908.

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS,
LIMITED.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND
ANTWERP.

THE Steamship
GEMONGANSPIRE,
will be despatched as above about 10th
April.

For Freight, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

Notice to Consignees

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Arratton APOAR having
arrived from the above ports, Con-
signees of Goods, etc., are hereby notified that
their Goods will be delivered from this day
onwards.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and
expense. Cargo remaining on board after
4 p.m., will be landed on the following day
at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from Singapore and
Penang are requested to take immediate deliv-
ery of their Goods from the Steamer, as
such Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
underigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE Steamship
PRINZ WALDEMAR,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby notified that their Goods, with the
exception of Opium, Treasure and Valua-
bles, are being landed and stored at their
risk into the hazardous and/or extra har-
borous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-
loon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,
Kowloon and West Point Godowns, whence
delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods
remaining undelivered after the 15th of
March, will be so considered.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns where they
will be examined on the 15th of March, at
5.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 17th
of March, 1908, or they will not be re-
cognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
underigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MEYERHOF & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMSHIP BENLAWERS.

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH, ANTWERP,
LONDON AND STRAITTS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby in-
formed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the hazardous
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon,
from the Wharf delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th
March will be subject to risk.

All claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Underigned on or before
the 15th March, or they will not be re-
cognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns where they
will be examined on the 15th March, at
11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S
STEAMER MACEDONIA.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed
and placed at their risk in the hazardous
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon,
from the Wharf delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th
March will be subject to risk.

All claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Underigned on or before
the 15th March, or they will not be re-
cognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns where they
will be examined on the 15th March, at
11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signees and the Co.'s representative at an
appointed hour. All claims must be pre-
sented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognized. No claims will be admitted
after the Goods have left the Godowns.

B. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

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Steamer "Hsiao Ma" (3,577 tons) sailing from Dairen every Monday and from
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Hongkong, February 23, 1909.

To-day's Advertisements
THEATRE TO-NIGHT ROYAL
And THURSDAY EVENING, at 8.
THE CELEBRATED
WITHERS
CONCERT COMPANY.
NEW PROGRAMME NIGHTLY. POPULAR PRICES.
PLAN OF SEATS AT ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 9, 1909.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.
IT is hereby notified that information
has been received from the MILITARY
AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE
will be carried out as under:-
On FRIDAY, the 12th March:-
From Western Defences (all guns) in a
South-Westerly to Westerly direction,
at ranges up to 10,000 yards,
commencing at 9 a.m., and finishing
at 1 p.m.
If the weather is unfavourable on the
above date, Practice will take place on the
following day.
All ships, junks and other vessels are to
keep clear of the ranges.
BASIL TAYLOR, Commander, R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.
Hongkong, March 9, 1909.

HONGKONG CLUB.
NOTICE.
THE FIFTY-NINTH HALF-YEARLY
DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DE-
BENTURES (1898) of the HONGKONG
CLUB, payable on WEDNESDAY, the 31st
March, 1909, will be held at the HONG-
KONG CLUB HOUSE at 11 o'clock A.M., on
FRIDAY, the 19th March, 1909.
Members of Debentures are invited to
attend the Drawing.
By Order, JAMES ORRICK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 9, 1909.

FINEST
Oregon
Apples
ANOTHER LARGE SHIPMENT
JUST ARRIVED.

H. RUTTONJEE & SON,
HONGKONG & KOWLOON.
Hongkong, February 27, 1909.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND
YOKOHAMA.
THE Company's Steamship
"GALEONNET"
Captain Basso, will be despatched for
the above ports on or about TUESDAY,
the 16th March.
P. DE CHAMPORIN,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 9, 1909.

A
NEW CONSIGNMENT
HATS
JUST ARRIVED.
M. Gains
HOTEL MANSIONS
San Fiacco,
(ver Messrs. Kruse & Co.)

WEATHER REPORT.
The following notice is issued from the
Hongkong Observatory:-
On the 9th at 11.55 A.M. - The barometer
has risen over the N.E. coast of China, and
fallen over the E. coast.
The depression now lies at the mouth of
the Yangtze. It appears to be moving
westwards.
Pressure is higher over N. China. It
remains low over Hongkong.
Light to moderate variable winds may
be expected in the Formosa Channel and
along the northern shores of the China
Sea.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours end-
ing at 10 a.m. to-day, 6.01 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon
to-morrow.
1. - Hongkong District.
Light to moderate variable winds may
be expected. Rain or showers.
2. - Formosa Channel. Variable winds
may be expected. Rain or showers.
3. - Northern Shores of China Sea.
Light to moderate variable winds may
be expected. Rain or showers.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
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